Plan Allocation for Development of Tourism

2741. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Ministry has requested to the Planning Commission to revise the allocation made for tourism in the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the provision of amount made by the Planning Commission for the maximum development of the tourism industry in the current Five Year Plan period;

(c) the names of the States for which Government have made a comprehensive plan for the development of the tourism; and

(d) what are the other details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Planning Commission has allocated an amount of Rs. 485.75 crores to the Ministry of Tourism for development of tourism during Ninth Five Year Plan.

(c) and (d) Central financial assistance is provided to State Govts./Union territories by the Ministry of Tourism every year for projects/schemes prioritised in consultation with them.

Capital Invested in Construction of Hotels

†2742. DR. D. MASTHAN :

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH :

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that hotels are being run by the Government in the country;

(b) if so, the total capital invested on construction of such hotels so far by the Government; and

(c) the total amount earned as profit through these hotels till the end of December, 1999?

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†Original Notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR) : (a) ITDC is owning and operating 26 hotels in the country.

(b) The total capital employed in these hotels as on 31 March, 1999 is Rs. 101.12 crores.

(c) The profit earned by ITDC hotels from inception (in October, 1966 to December, 1999 amounts to Rs. 133.47 crores.

Clearance to Sason Canal System

2743. SHRI H. K. JAVARE GOWDA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) how many projects regarding techno-economic appraisal are pending in the Central Water Commission (CWC), State-wise;

(b) whether project report for improvement of Sason Canal System under Hirakud Dam distribution system has been cleared; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) State-wise number of Major/Medium Irrigation Projects received in the Central Water Commission from the State Governments for techno-economic appraisal is given in the enclosed statement. (*see* below)

(b) and (c) The Project Report for improvement of Sason Canal System' under Hirakud Distribution System was submitted by the Government of Orissa to Central Water Commission on 31-1-2000. The clearance of the Project is linked with compliance of observations of the various Central Appraising Agencies by the State Government.

STATEMENT

Sl.` No.	Name of State	No. of Major Projects	No. of Medium Projects	Total
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	9	8	17
2.	Assam	1	3	04